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Clearer Picture

WITH Russia's acceptance of the invitation to join in Big Four "summit" talks, there remains to be decided only the time and the place for the meeting. But since the invitation was extended in a clearer picture of what these conversations can and cannot expect to achieve has emerged.

No dramatic or rapid results from any single meeting are contemplated. The Western view is that Russia can help in "orderly" negotiations most likely to bring about agreements by progressive stages." Which means that the "summit" conference will merely prepare the ground for the further meetings at lower levels. Thus the heads of governments will confine themselves to an exchange of views to formulate issues to be worked on and agree to methods to be followed in exploring solutions.

ANOTHER important point which has been underlined during the past week is that the objectives to be aimed at are deliberately limited. There is no suggestion, as there has been in earlier and fruitless exchanges, of "seeking to remove the causes of world tension." Carefully the Soviet government has been invited to join in an effort to remove the sources of conflict between the Big Four powers. For one thing, the four statesmen in a short meeting could not be expected to agree upon substantive answers to major difficulties facing the world, and for another, the four powers have neither the right nor the duty to settle problems other than those in which they are directly concerned.

WHAT will be the practical effect of this limitation of scope of discussions remains to be seen. The three power proposal is deliberately no more precise for the matter of scope of "effort" is one on which the Russians themselves may well have views and which must be decided with them. The plan as seen by the Western powers is not dramatic, neither does it expect nor seek miracles. But it is essentially practical. The function and purpose of the top level meeting will be to give much needed impetus to broader negotiations. There can be hope, but no assurance of success. All that Britain, France and the United States offer and ask for is that a "new effort" shall be made. So much then, rests on the Soviets.

Mr Franklin

THE death of Mr F. P. Franklin means not only the loss to Hongkong's newspaper world of one of its most vital and dynamic personalities, but to the Colony a kind and thoughtful man whose unobtrusive but constant labours in the interests and welfare of his fellow men could not be easily matched by any of his contemporaries.

Many charitable organisations are indebted to him for his unremitting and practical efforts to push forward their activities: he brought to committee work those valuable assets of vision, sound common sense and kindly patience. Because he eschewed personal publicity only his associates and intimate friends knew of his unlimited capacity for helping others and were able to assess the value of the voluntary work he performed in his leisure hours.

As an employer he was also a friend, and his influence in the South China Morning Post organisation, which he did so much to build up to its present eminence, can best be gauged by the fact that every worker in the company feels a personal loss through his untimely death.

Funeral Of Mr F.P. Franklin

It was announced this morning that the funeral of the late Mr F. P. Franklin, former Managing Director of the South China Morning Post, Ltd., whose death occurred early this morning at his residence, 34 Luard Road, will take place tomorrow (Wednesday) afternoon.

The funeral service will be conducted in St John's Cathedral at 4.15, and the cortège will pass the Monument at 5 o'clock. No flowers by request, but donations to charity.

Britain & Formosa

Straits Peace

SECRET TALKS IN PEKING

London, May 17. Britain is making a fresh bid for peace in the Formosa Straits in "top-secret" talks with the Chinese Communists in Peking, informed sources revealed here today.

The British Charge d'Affaires, in Peking, Mr Humphrey Trevelyan, is understood to have once sounded out the Chinese Communist leaders on the possibility of direct talks with the United States on Formosa.

The British contacts are quite distinct from the parallel talks going on in Peking between the Chinese Communist Premier, Chou En-lai, and the Indian special envoy, Mr Krishna Menon.

The Foreign Office is covering the talks in a cloak of silence. A Foreign Office spokesman said that because of the "confidential nature" of the conversations, no indication will be given about their progress.

SECRECY NECESSARY Other authorised British sources said that the utmost secrecy was necessary because of the delicacy of the negotiations in Peking and in order to avoid harmful publicity.

They compared the Peking talks with the negotiations which preceded the settlement of the Trieste problem.

This thorny international dispute was successfully settled, largely because of the secrecy surrounding the preliminary negotiations.

Britain has already been in touch with Communist China earlier this month on the Formosa dispute.

On May 9 last, Mr Trevelyan was received by Chinese Premier Chou En-lai, who promised to give him "in due course" the views of the Chinese Communists on direct talks with the United States.—France-Presse.

Johnnie Ray's Romance

Birmingham, May 16. Johnnie Ray said today he is in love with a British girl and she is in love with him "but we probably won't get married for a year."

American's solo-singing bobby-sox idol told United Press by telephone "we are very much in love with each other, but she wants a career too. We fell in love quickly, but we decided that in all fairness to her we would wait a year to see if she can make a success of her singing."

"We have decided that Windy will make a success of her singing in a year or give it up," he said.

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Party Line Phone Caller Refused To Make Way For Fire Alarm

Poughkeepsie, N.Y., May 16. A volunteer fireman charged in Dutchess County Court today that Mrs. Mary Kayes told him to "let the damned thing burn and get off the line" when he asked her to hang up.

Townsend picked up a phone to report the fire and heard two women talking.

"I explained what I wanted the time for and one woman said 'let the damned thing burn and get off the line,'" testified Mrs. Townsend. "He said, 'I felt this was the voice of Mrs. Mary L. Kayes.'

As a result of her refusal to hang up, he said, he had to drive nearly a mile to get to another telephone.

Chou Repeats Offer WITH THE SAME RESERVATIONS

London, May 17. Mr Chou En-lai, Chinese Communist Premier, has repeated his offer to negotiate with the United States "to ease tension in the Formosa area," the New China News Agency reported today.

On the form the negotiations should take, he said his government "supports the Soviet proposal for a ten-power conference and is also willing to consider other forms."

"However, no negotiations should in the slightest degree affect the Chinese people's exercise of their own sovereign rights—their just demand and action to liberate Taiwan," Mr Chou said.

"At the same time the Chinese government can at no time agree to participation by the Chiang Kai-shek clique in any international conference.

THE ALTERNATIVES "The Chinese people have two possible means to liberate Taiwan, namely by war or by peaceful means.

"The Chinese people are willing to strive for the liberation of Taiwan by peaceful means as far as it is possible."

Mr Chou said: "The Chinese people are friendly with the American people. They do not want to have a war with the United States."

China gave support to the just struggle of the peoples in Asia and Africa to win national independence, he said.

"At the same time the demand of the Chinese people to liberate their own territory of Taiwan (Formosa) and to restore China's legitimate status in the United Nations had also won the support of many Asian and African colonies and peoples.

"But at the conference we put forward no proposals either against the occupation of Taiwan by the United States and its creation of tensions in the Taiwan area or for the restoration to the People's Republic of China of her legitimate status in the United Nations—for we did not want to see the Asian-African conference bogged down in disputes and antagonisms on these two questions.

INTERNATIONAL ISSUE

"At the conference we made clear China's solemn stand on these two questions to which none of the participating countries put any opposing views..."

"Taiwan is China's territory, the people living in Taiwan are Chinese people and the liberation of Taiwan by the Chinese people is a question of China's domestic affairs. The United States occupation of Taiwan has created tension in the area and this constitutes an international issue between China and the United States."

Dr Edith Summerville, former Labour National Insurance Minister, declared that last year people in Britain were eating less per head of fish, eggs, milk and vegetables than under the Labour government which ruled from 1945-51.—Reuters.

Search For Mau Mau Escapees

Nairobi, May 16. Troops and police today combed Nairobi for three desperate Mau Mau terrorists after recapturing a fourth fugitive wanted on a murder charge.

Two of the hunted men, who escaped from a detention camp, the third from the law courts here last month.—Reuters.

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Donald Cookingham, a farmer and chief of the West Clinton Volunteer Fire Department, said that when he arrived at the scene of the fire he saw "too far gone to be saved."

"But the Department put out the grass fire," he said.

Mrs. Kayes, a 43-year-old Rhinebeck, New York, housewife, went on trial—the charge before a jury headed by a woman who had a party line too. The defendant is the first person ever to be tried under a State law enacted last year making it a misdemeanour to refuse wilfully to reconnected a party line in an emergency.

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ODD MAN OUT

London, May 16. A retired naval officer today dropped his plans to fight two Parliament seats at once in the May 26 General Election—because he could not raise the £150 sterling deposit which is required from every candidate.

Under Britain's election law candidates in each area must provide this deposit in cash when they are nominated—and they lose it if they fail to secure one-eighth of the votes cast in their constituency. The money is called for to curb frivolous candidates.

Lieutenant-Commander William Boaks, a 50-year-old Independent, was refused nomination at West Walthamstow, North-east London, because the £150 did not accompany his nomination.

Mr Clement Attlee, the Socialist leader, is Labour's candidate there.

Mr Boaks has a one-man party he calls the "Association of Democratic Monarchs Independent Representing All Ladies" ("Admiral" for short).

He had invited Walthamstow electors to give one shilling each towards his deposit but the appeal brought in only four shillings.

Earlier in the day Mr Boaks had given up his plans to fight Streatham, south London, because he did not have the deposit. There the Conservative candidate will be Mr. Duncan Sandy, Minister Churchill's son-in-law. China Mail Special.

ELECTION FRAY

High Cost Of Living Criticised

London, May 16. Spring took a back somersault into winter time today as fierce snowstorms hit Scotland and the North of England.

Snow ploughs were out on the blocked main road between Neath and Brecon in Scotland. Around Huddersfield, Yorkshire, motorists skidded dangerously over four inches of snow covering country roads.

After an all-night blizzard snow was still falling in the Wensleydale area of North Yorkshire.

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Turbo-Jet Plane Crashes

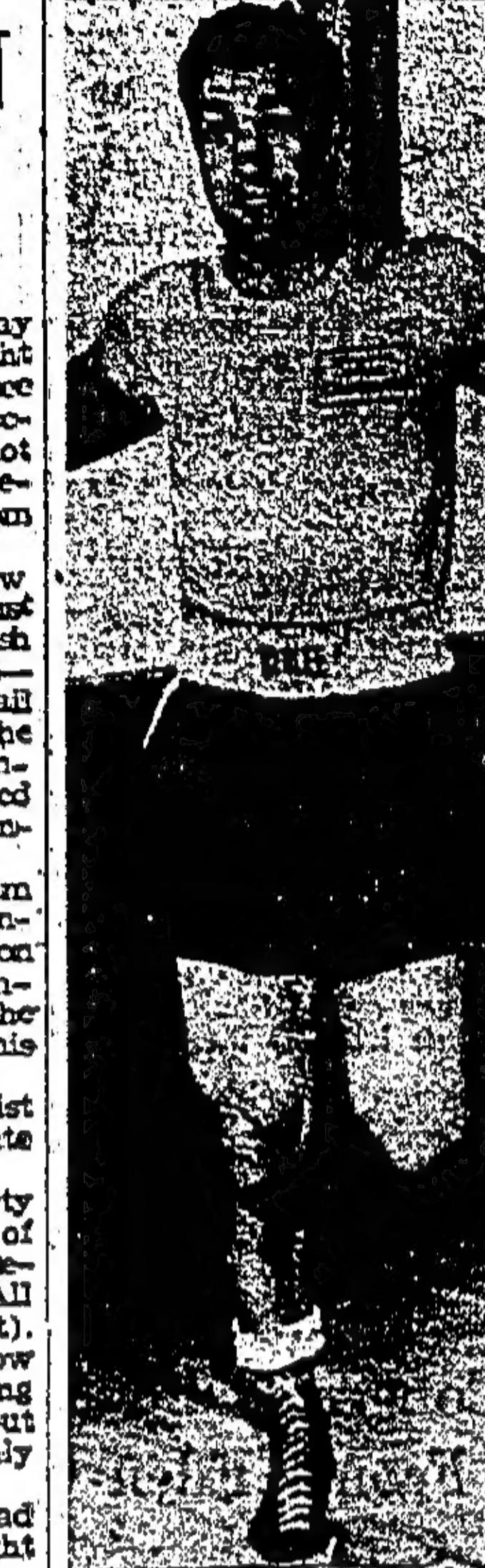
Winnipeg, May 16. A Vickers Viscount turbo-jet plane operated by the Trans-Canada Airlines crashed on landing at Stevenson Field here today.

There was no immediate report of casualties.

The Viscount was later reported to have been on a training flight and carried only the crew.

The Viscount, first turbo-prop aircraft to go into passenger carrying service, recently began flying on Trans-Canada routes.

Capital Airlines, a United States company, are due to start flying Viscounts shortly.—Reuters.



MARCIANO

Spring Gives Way To Winter

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URGENT TALKS ON TERRORISM

Paris, May 16. Premier Edgar Faure today called his top Ministers and military advisers to an urgent conference on the renewed outbreaks of terrorism in France's African territories.

M. Faure, just back from a lightning fast trip to Copenhagen where President Rene Coty is making a state visit, met with the Tunisian and Moroccan Affairs Minister, M. Pierre Ju, and with the Interior Minister, M. Maurice Bourges-Maunoury.

Several other members of his Cabinet were also present.—United Press.

MARCIANO WINS BY TKO

Cockell Survives 8 Title Bout Rounds TAKES HEAVY BATTERING

Rocky Marciano retained his world heavyweight title in San Francisco last night when he scored a technical knock-out decision against the English champion Don Cockell in the ninth round.

Marciano never appeared to be in danger of losing. He drew blood from Cockell early in the fight, and the only round in which the Englishman scored was the sixth when he traded heavy punches with Marciano.

Cockell put up a feeble defence against the accurate hitting Marciano, and in the eighth round he appeared to be helpless. Marciano threw a long right that connected on the chin and Cockell went down for a count of three. The bell saved him.

Early in the ninth Marciano landed a left and right and Cockell sank to the floor. As he did so, the champion hit him again. Cockell was up at the count of seven, but went down immediately for another count of five.

At this point Referee Frankie Brown stopped the fight.

ROUND BY ROUND

The following is a blow-by-blow account of the champion fight:

ROUND ONE: Cockell led with a left to Marciano's head and they backed off and sparred. Marciano led with his left and Cockell backed up and they clinched. Marciano threw a right that grazed Cockell's head and they backed up again. Both men were very cautious and there was no wild swinging. Marciano sank a left into Cockell's mid-section and then a right to the head. Marciano clinched with his left and right and they clinched. Cockell landed a stiff left on Marciano's nose and they clinched.

Both missed just before the bell.

ROUND TWO: They met in the centre of the ring with neither one throwing a punch. Marciano jabbed Cockell and they backed off and sparred. Marciano led with a left and Cockell retaliated with a right to the head. Marciano landed a right that carried him clear past Cockell. Marciano connected with a left to Cockell's head and was warned by referee Frankie Brown for a low blow. They traded stiff rights to the head and Marciano connected with a left and right to the head. Marciano landed a right to Cockell's head and they clinched.

ROUND THREE: They met in the centre again and both drew punches to the midsection. Marciano caught Cockell with a left and Cockell landed a right

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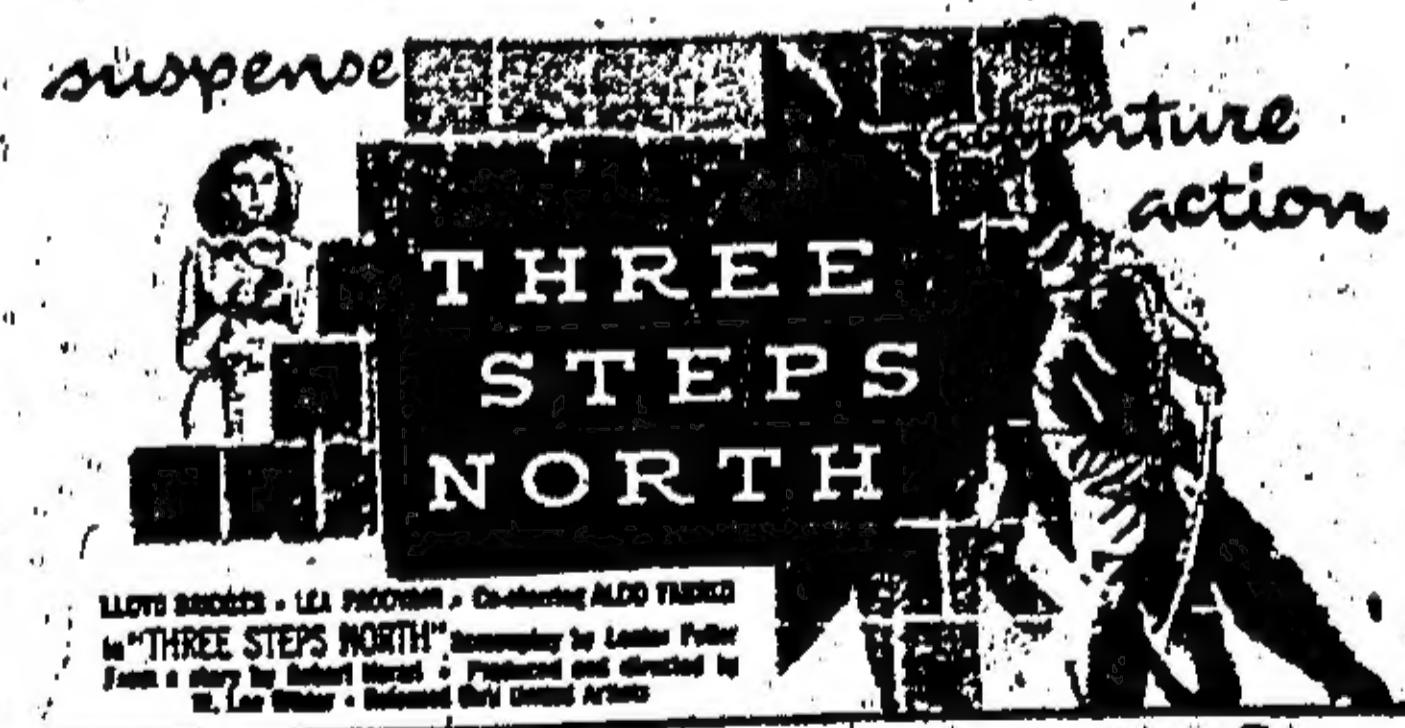
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NEW SCHOOL PLAN FOR PRINCE CHARLES

Classes outside the Palace

London, May 11. PRINCE CHARLES'S secluded days at home are over. The Queen has decided that he is to take lessons outside Buckingham Palace, to mix with other children, and take part in educational trips and visits to places of interest in London and elsewhere.

In a letter to the secretary of the Newspaper Proprietors Association, Commander Colville, the Press secretary to the Queen, wrote last night:

"I am commanded by the Queen to say that her Majesty and the Duke of Edinburgh have decided that their son has reached the stage when he should take part in more ground-up educational pursuits with other children."

In consequence a certain amount of the Duke of Cornwall's instruction will take place outside his home. For example, he will attend classes and will visit museums and other places of interest.

The Queen trusts, therefore, that His Royal Highness will be able to enjoy this in the same way as other children can without the embarrassment of constant publicity.

In this respect her Majesty feels that it is equally important that those in charge of sharing in the instruction should be spared undue publicity which can so seriously interrupt their normal lives.

"I would be grateful if you will communicate the above to your members and seek their co-operation in this matter, informing them at the same time that they are at liberty to publish this letter if they so wish."

The whole matter of the education of Prince Charles, who was six last November, has been of paramount importance to the Queen for a long time.

It is known that both she and the Duke regarded the whole question as a personal one that only they could resolve.

Rumours spread six months ago that Prince Charles was about to go to school.

It was believed that it was the Duke who was particularly anxious that he should mix freely with other children, and was also pressing for him to be allowed to go to boarding school before too long.

A COMPROMISE? The present arrangement seems to be one of compromise. Prince Charles is not likely to become a full-time pupil at a school, but will attend school classes with other boys. He is also likely to go with them on instructional sight-seeing tours.

The young Prince has been taking lessons from a governess in Buckingham Palace since he was five, and can already read and write. For the past four months he has been taking French lessons.

Sending him out so early makes a break in precedent. Normally, serious education for children does not begin before they are seven years old.

Prince Charles first started his lessons under the tutelage of a Scots governess, Miss Katherine Peebles, in November 1953.

He started with the "Three Rs" but in recent months his curriculum has also included an appreciation of what destiny has in store for him.

Even before that, however, Prince Charles had been taught to write rather strangely letters by the Queen herself. At the age of four he signed the visitors' book in large capital letters at the home of Miss Margaret Williams, who painted his portrait.

Undoubtedly one of the factors governing the decision to let Prince Charles go out more was made after the success of his visit to the Underground station at Trafalgar Square two months ago.

Then Miss Peebles took him to the station, let him buy three 2d. tickets from the machine, and took him down the escalator to watch the red trains.

Practically no one recognised him and there was no fuss of any kind. This is exactly what the Queen wanted, and following the success of his walk in Green Park it probably decided the issue.

INTO THE NAVY? If the Prince is later sent to a boarding school it will be another break with precedent. The late King George VI remained at home until he went to Osborne, and later to the Royal Naval College, Dartmouth.

It is probable that the Prince will go into one of the three Services even if it is only for the period of National Service.

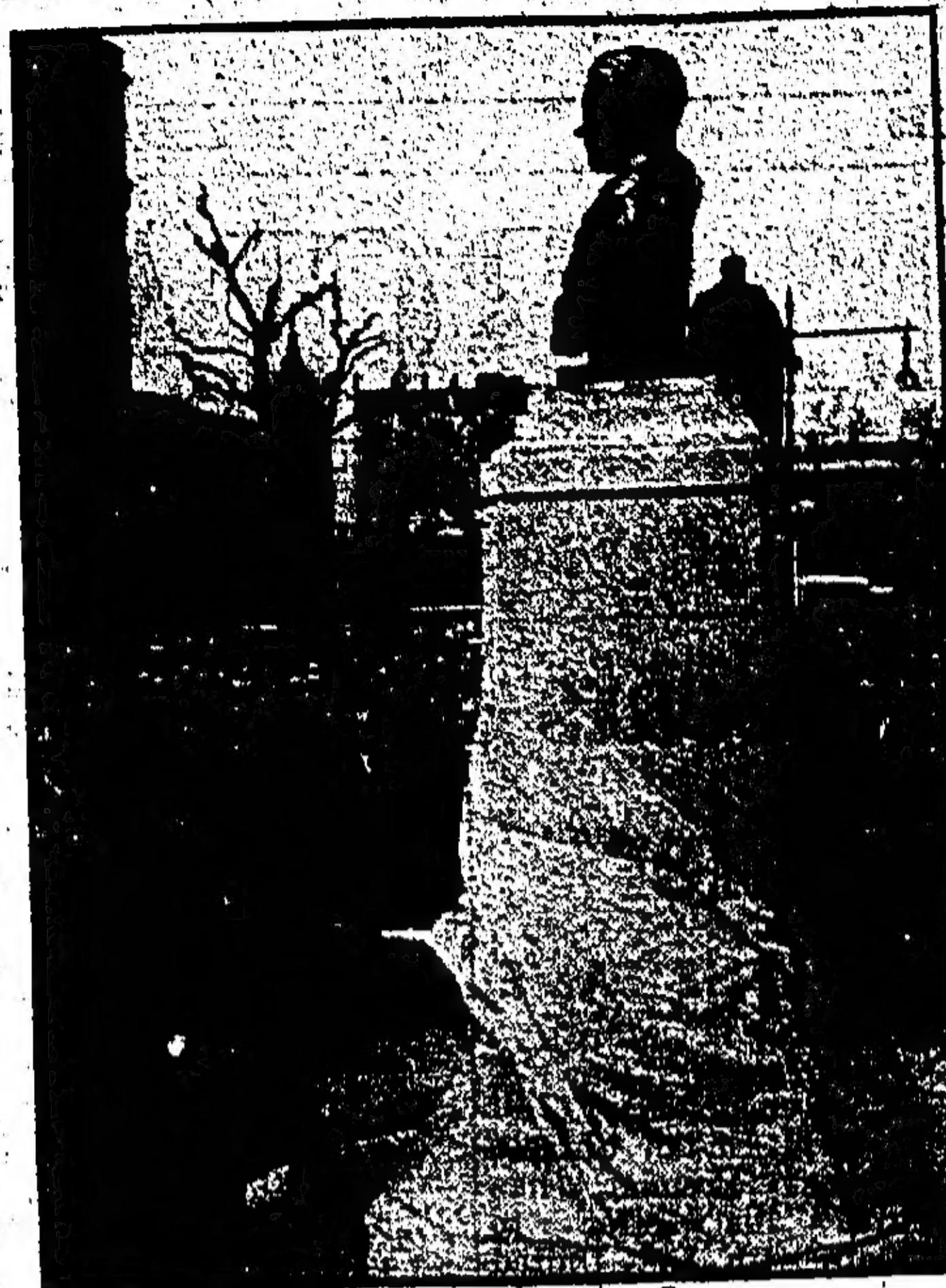
His name has already been put down for the Grenadier Guards. But it is more likely that the Duke will have his way and, in keeping with the royal link with the sea, Prince Charles will enter the Navy.

The late King George VI was 14 when he first went to Osborne, and until that time received a general education under private tuition. His education was identical to that of his brother, the Duke of Windsor, who first had tutors when he was seven.

King Edward VII had an even stricter education. He was kept rigidly within the confines of the royal palaces and official royal occasions until the age of 17.

There is no question of Miss Peebles giving up her job as governess. Much of Prince Charles' welfare will still be left in her hands, and in any case

Bust Of Mr Bevin



The Mayor of Bermondsey unveils a bust of the late Ernest Bevin at the junction of Tooley Street and Queen Elizabeth Street, in the heart of London's dock area. Watching him are Mr Bevin's widow, Dame Florence Bevin, and Mr Clement Attlee. —Renterphoto.

DOCTOR'S WIFE MURDERED

Privy Council Leave To Appeal Refused

London, May 16. A young West Indian doctor, whose wife's mutilated body was found floating in a bag in the sea, petitioned the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council here today for leave to appeal against his conviction for her murder. But the petition was refused.

The doctor, Dalip Latchmie P. Singh, was sentenced to death in December after a trial lasting 25 days in the Trinidad and Tobago Supreme Court. His appeal to the Trinidad and Tobago court was dismissed in February.

The prosecution said at the trial that the body of the wife, Inge Paula, was found in April last year tied up in a bag. Parts of the body had been mutilated. It was alleged that she was murdered two days before.

QC COMPLAINS

Mr Dingle Foot, QC, who represented Singh, complained that during his summing-up the trial judge commented six times with a good deal of force on the fact that the doctor had elected not to give evidence.

"At no stage did he tell the jury that the accused was not bound to give evidence and in my submission that was a very grave omission," Mr Foot said. Mr Foot added that the doctor had already made a statement

FRENCH RECOVERY MIRACLE

Paris, May 16. The US Ambassador to France, Mr Douglas Dillon, today described the economic recovery and progress of France since the war as "a miracle."

Speaking before the American Women's Group of Paris, he said that France 10 years ago was in a really terrible condition. But its success in increasing production and the standard of living of its people was "remarkable," he said.

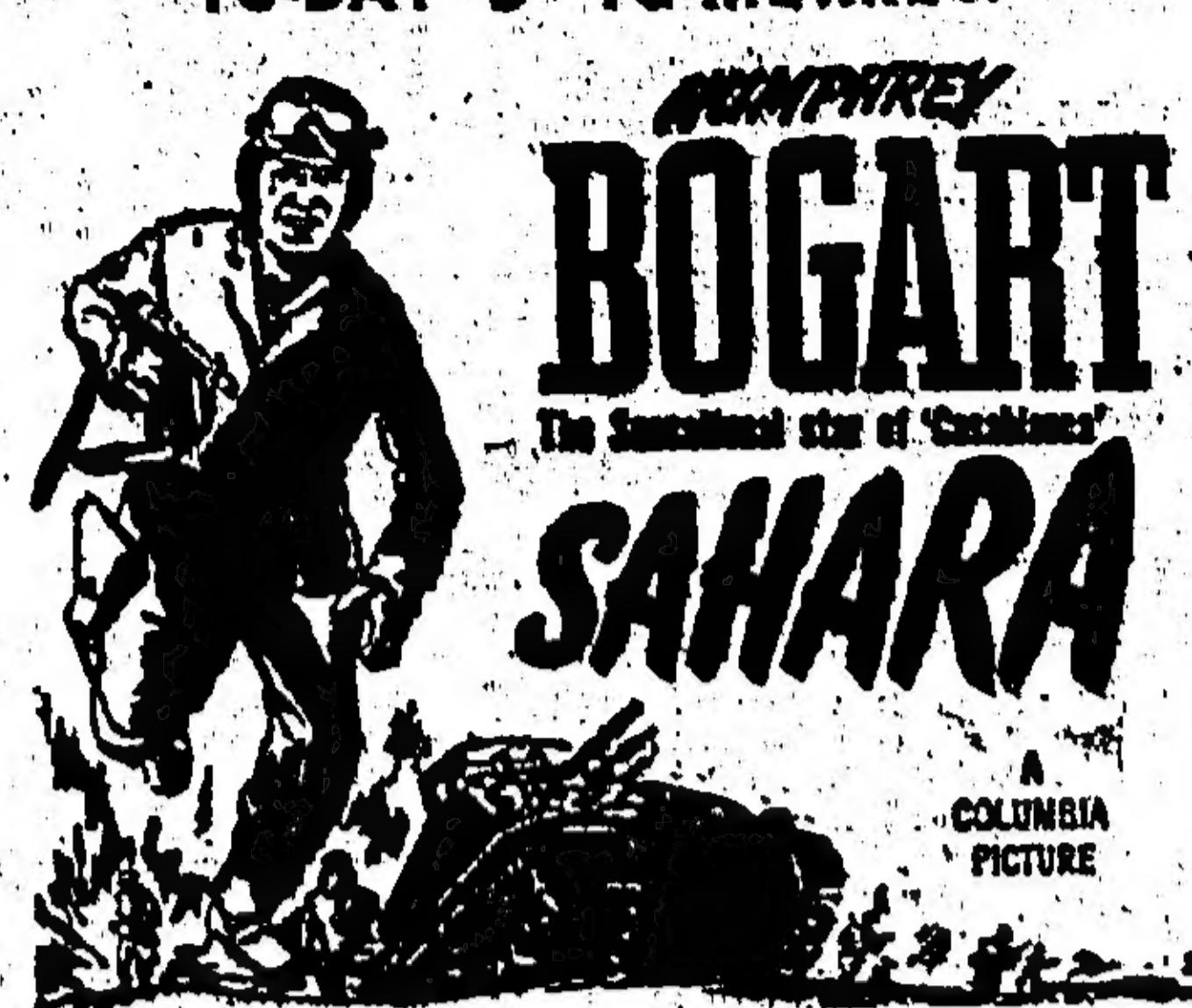
Mr Dillon said that France had a solid economic base on which it could continue to build with every confidence in the future. —France-Press.

CASE SETTLEMENT

After a hearing lasting over three hours, the Committee decided to refuse Singh's petition for leave to appeal. —China Mail Special.

QUEEN'S & ALHAMBRA

TO-DAY & TO-MORROW



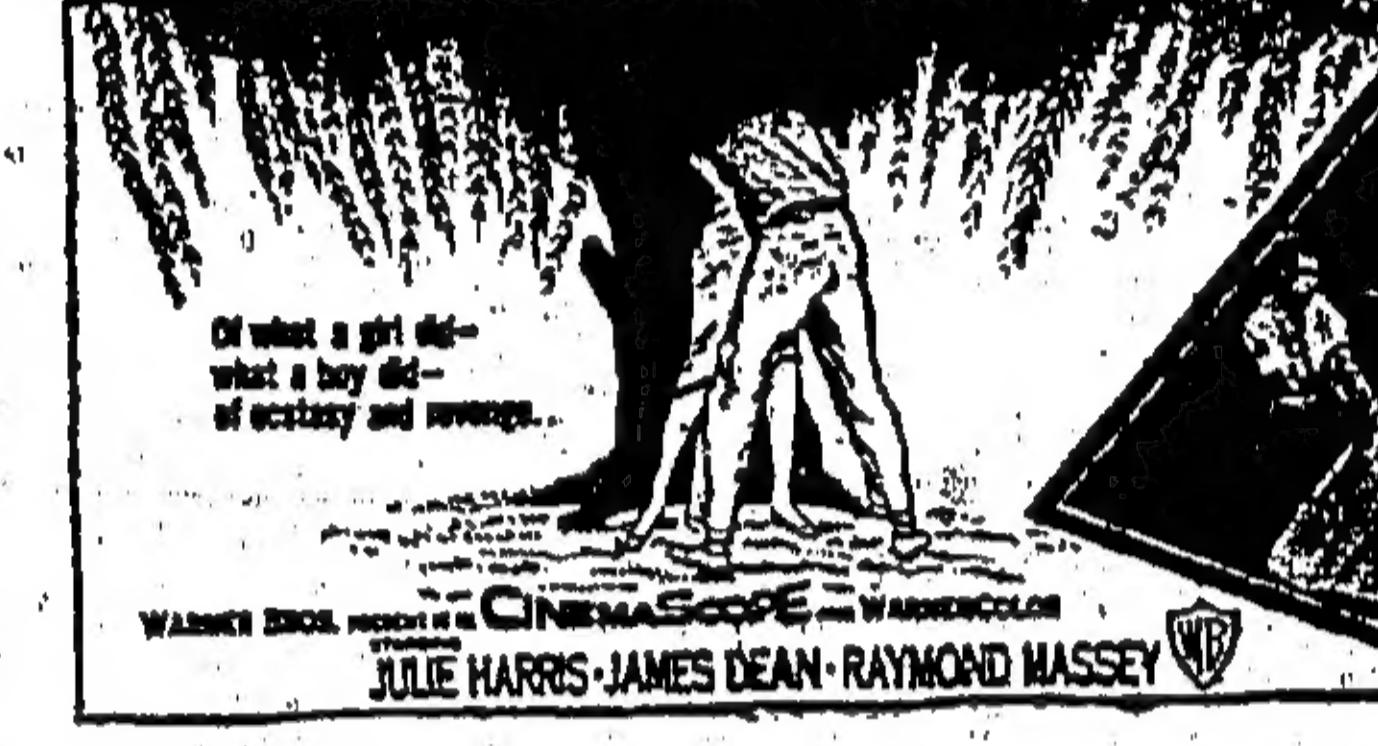
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KREMLIN MAY GET SECOND

NEW LOOK Powerful Forces Behind Masters, Says Churchill

Second Atomic Ship Proposed

Washington, May 16. The House of Representatives Merchant Marine Committee today proposed that the United States should build a second atom-powered merchant vessel to serve as a prototype for the merchant fleet of the future.

Announcing this in Washington today, Mr. Herbert Bonner, (Democrat, North Carolina), Chairman of the Committee, said this project would have a more practical and experimental character than President Dwight Eisenhower's atomic ship plan.

The Eisenhower atom ship's main purpose is to tour the world as a working example of the peaceful use of atomic energy. —France-Press.

OLD MAN LIVED WITH DEAD ANIMALS

New York, May 16. A 74-year-old man, living in a lonely house in Buffalo, New York, was acting so queerly that the authorities decided to have him examined.

They sent officers to take him to a hospital, but the old man refused flatly to leave his home, saying, "I know my rights. You can not force me to abandon my home."

After three hours of talk, the officials were still meeting with absolute refusal from the stubborn old man to accompany them. He had to be removed by force.

HORRIBLE STENCH

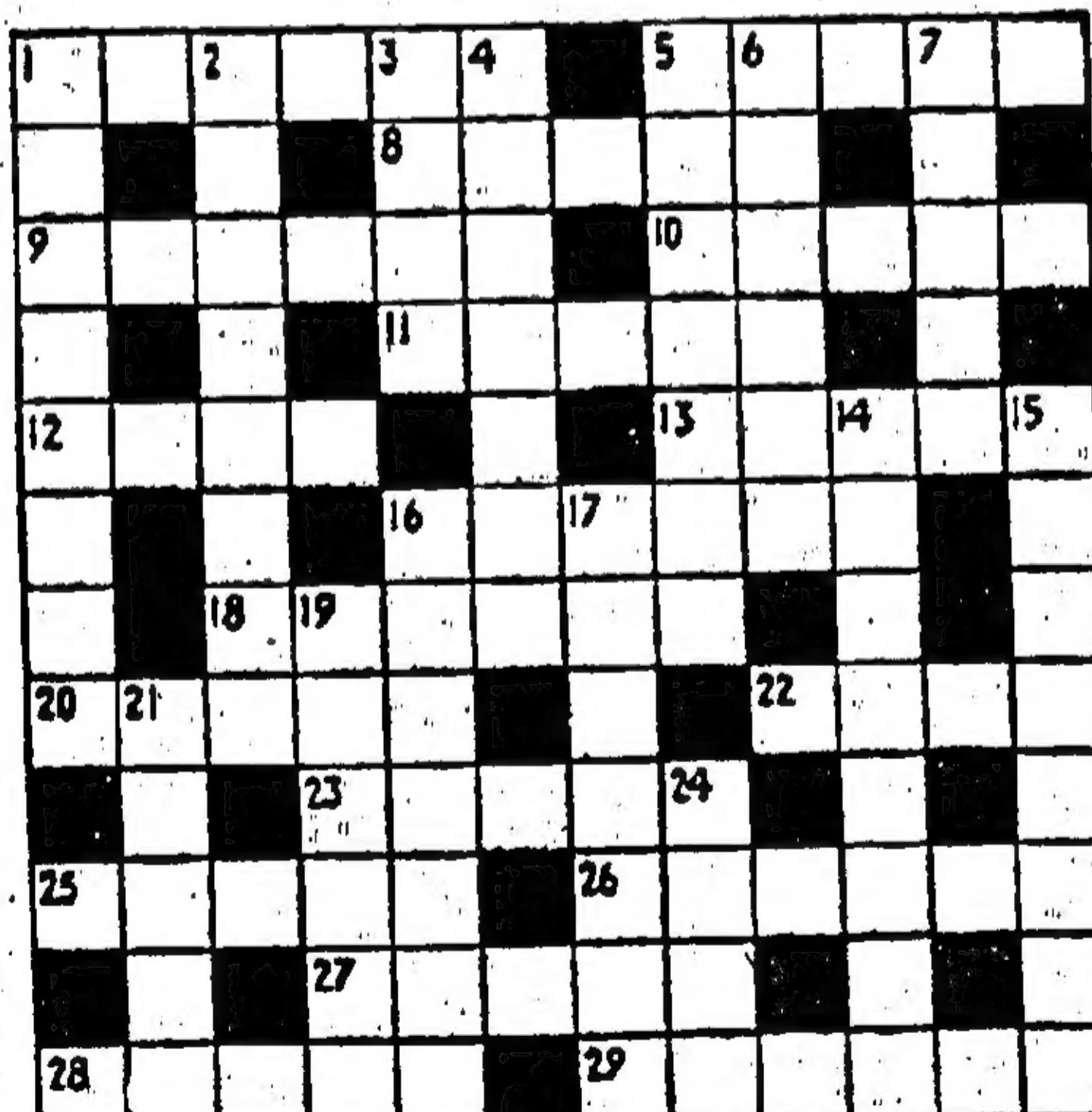
When the judge entered the house to investigate, he had to step back. He was repelled by the horrible stench filling the premises.

Doors and windows were hermetically shut and the house was filled, up to the ceiling, with empty tin cans having once contained dog or cat food, hundred of torn-up books, tattered old clothes.

And, carefully lined up in a special room, 40 boxes made of transparent plastic material containing the bodies of 40 dogs and cats, duly embalmed.

The old man is now "under observation" at a hospital. —France-Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS
1 The first of two (6).
5 Exclude (5).
8 Measured out (5).
10 Attack (5).
11 Tenant (5).
12 Implied (5).
13 Implement (4).
14 Bank (5).
15 Submits to (6).
16 Dodge (6).
20 Picture stand (5).
22 Kind of plant (4).
23 Bright light (5).
25 Brown pigment (5).
26 Fit for consumption (6).
27 Specie (5).
28 Be on one's feet (5).
29 Shows contempt (6).

DOWN
1 Break (8).
2 Puts back (8).
3 Send out (4).
4 Told (7).
5 Wants (7).
6 Newspaper chief (6).
7 Asserts (5).
14 Get together (8).
15 Aerobatic (8).
16 Blockhead (7).
17 Animals (7).
18 Large number (6).
21 Vigilant (5).
24 Paradise (4).
King Gustav is an Honorary Admiral in the Royal Navy.

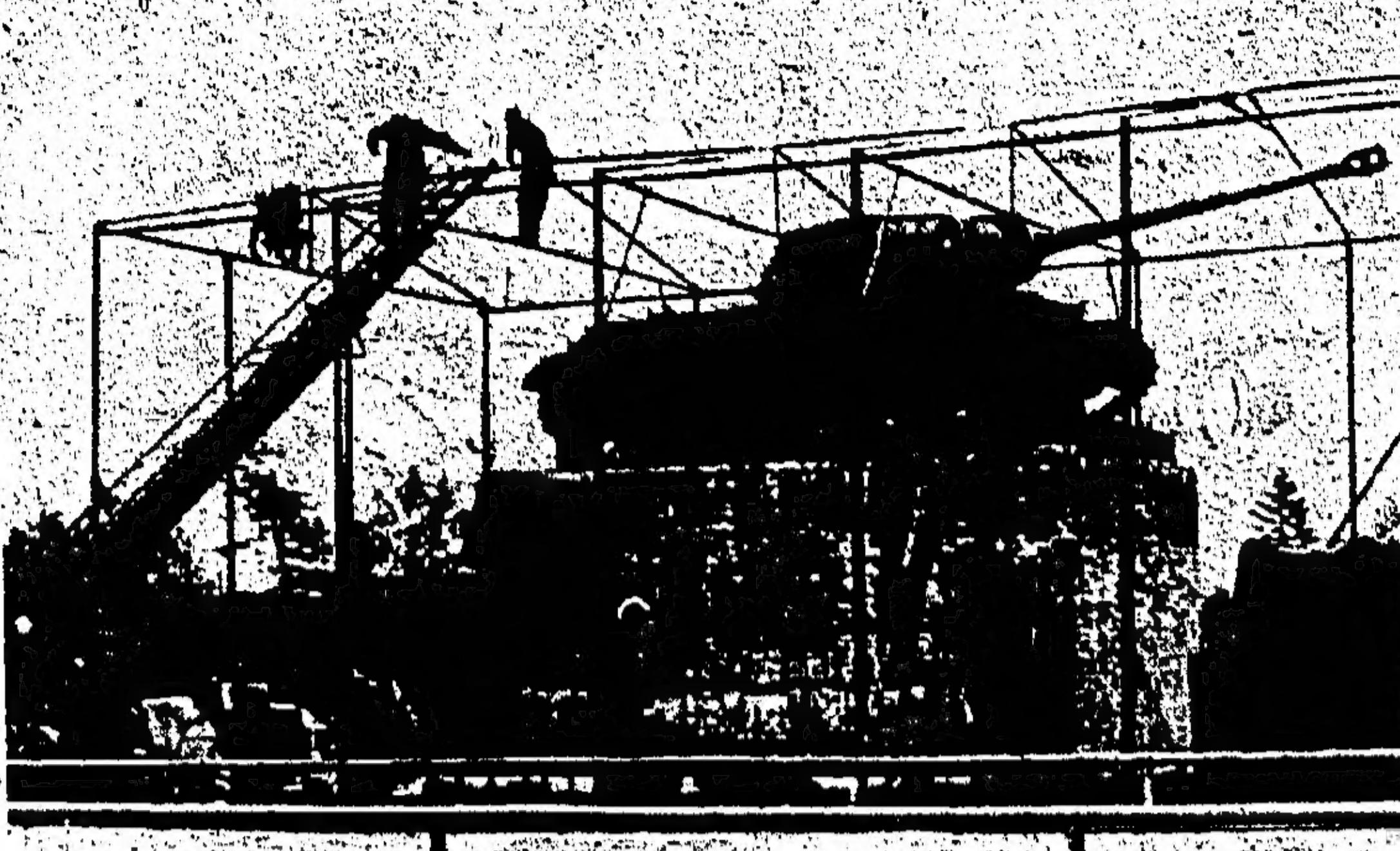
THE King and Queen of Sweden arrived at London Airport this afternoon for a two-week private visit. King Gustav and Queen Louise were met by the First Sea Lord, Earl Mountbatten, and Lady Mountbatten and the Swedish Ambassador in London, Mr. Gunnar Hagglof, and Mrs. Hagglof. The royal couple had flown direct from Gothenburg on an ordinary flight of Scandinavian Airlines. There were 20 other passengers in the plane besides the royal party. As the royal party drove from the Airport, several passengers who had waited inside the plane took photographs of the King and Queen from the door of the aircraft.

VISIT: MUSEUMS
Most of the royal couple's stay will be spent in London where the King will visit the museums and art galleries he knows and loves so well. On Wednesday the 72-year-old King will sail up the river Thames in the royal boat accompanied by Queen Louise to dine at the Royal Naval College Greenwich.

King Gustav is an Honorary Admiral in the Royal Navy. The royal couple will return to Sweden by air on June 2. Before they leave they will probably be entertained by the Queen at Buckingham Palace, a palace spokesman said. —Reuters.

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 1 Stress, 5 Aspic, 8 Tend, 9 Tease, 11 Ozone, 12 Pewter, 14 Mere, 16 Earth, 18 Intire, 19 Idle, 20 Intone, 24 Salvo, 25 Averse, 26 Nice, 27 Dishes, 28 French. Down: 1 Sits, 2 Reap, 3 Stew, 4 Settle, 5 Adored, 8 Procure, 9 Cherish, 10 Sewer, 13 Distend, 14 Maudied, 15 Regions, 17 Above, 19 Intest, 21 Over, 22 Earth, 23 Mouth, 24

Removing Memorial



A Soviet war memorial in West Berlin, which has been a bone of contention in the East-West cold war for years, is being removed to the Soviet Zone in a joint Soviet-American operation. United States Army engineers have begun removing the wire cage which has been built around the memorial to protect it from damage by West Berliners who consider it an insult. The memorial consists of a T-34 tank, said to have been the first Soviet tank to enter Berlin in 1945. —Express Photo.

EAST-WEST TENSION

Austrian Treaty Raises Hopes

London, May 16.

Many Western newspapers examining latest Soviet moves in the light of the Austrian State treaty signed yesterday took the view that there are bright prospects for a relaxation of East-West tension.

It appeared generally accepted in Italy, however, that the forthcoming Soviet-Yugoslav talks in Belgrade will mark the end of plans to make the Balkan Alliance between Yugoslavia, Greece and Turkey into an advanced post of the Atlantic Pact.

The New York Times thought Soviet leaders are now seeking to supplement their threats with more amiable gestures designed to persuade and pull the world into the belief that they have suddenly become reasonable and open to conciliatory negotiations when in reality they continue to pursue their unchanging aims.

Mr. Antoine Flay, the French Foreign Minister, took a different view. He said on his arrival in Copenhagen from Four-Power talks in Vienna "there should now be a real basis for optimism... the atmosphere is now far less tense than before."

CURRENT AIM
Most newspapers and commentators agree that the current aim of Soviet foreign policy is the establishment of a neutral belt between the Communist nations and Western Powers in Europe.

Reuter correspondents reported from world capitals:

• **BONN:** Government officials and newspapers alike are giving serious attention to the possibility of a united Germany forming part of a neutral belt spanning Central Europe. The question is how German unity can be achieved without sacrificing West Germany's new status as an equal partner in the West.

Most newspapers oppose an "Austrian solution"—with a guarantee of neutrality—for Germany but several regard Russian concessions on the Austrian treaty as a good augury for future negotiations in Germany.

At the same time it is thought that the Russian delegation to Belgrade late this month might well result in Yugoslavia joining the neutral nations of Europe.

• **PARIS:** Some observers in Paris believe the motive behind the Soviet conciliatory moves, which promise to end the frozen state of international relations brought about by the cold war, was the difficult economic situation in the Soviet Union.

The Russians wish to raise the standard of living in the Soviet Union by a programme of commercial exchanges with the West, these observers maintained. In order to bring this about they were prepared to "unfreeze" the international situation.

As for the possibility of Yugoslavia fitting into the neutral belt, it was recalled that Marshal Tito has never integrated his country into the defence planning of the West in spite of the link between the Balkan Alliance and the Atlantic Pact of which Greece and Turkey are members.

• **HOME:** The newspaper *Corriere Della Sera* demanded that Western Germany and Italy should play a more important role in Europe.

LOST HIS LOVE FOR FRANCE

Paris, May 16. The English coppersmith, Peter Cassel, who is a former Royal Navy middleweight champion, had an opportunity to show that he still had punch during a short visit to gay Paris.

He and a friend—a car salesman from London—had come to the French capital for the week, with the firm intention to have a good time. They had it but found the price a little too high.

When a tout proposed to them to pay a visit to a Montmartre night club, they had no objection. The night club was cheap, the man said, and they could stay as long as they like over a glass of beer.

• **WONDERFUL EVENING**
They went in and had a wonderful evening, drinking beer in the company of a few girls.

They were very happy over their evening, but the bill threw them. It

MACMILLAN RAISES REFUGEE PROBLEM

London, May 16. Mr. Harold Macmillan, British Foreign Secretary, personally raised in Vienna with Mr. Vyacheslav Molotov, Soviet Foreign Minister, the problem of refugees in Vietnam, the Foreign Office said today.

Mr. Macmillan reminded Mr. Molotov of Britain's recent suggestion that the deadline for refugee movements should be extended beyond Wednesday.

The Mixed Armistice Commission of India, Canada, and Poland is not satisfied that all those wishing to move predominantly Communists wanting to leave the North will in fact have been able to do so by Wednesday.

The Foreign Office said that Mr. Macmillan raised the matter with Mr. Molotov "with the object of eliciting his personal interest and sympathy" for the British request to extend the period.

It did not disclose the Soviet Foreign Minister's reaction, but a spokesman said that no reply had been received to the British request.

A WEEK AGO

This was made a week ago and submitted to Russia as co-chairman nation with Britain of the Geneva conference where the agreements ending the eight-year Indo-China war were negotiated.

Since last July's ceasefire about 700,000 people from Communist North Vietnam have taken refuge in the anti-Communist southern part of the country.

There are claims that 400,000 more refugees—mainly Catholics—are being prevented by the Communists from going to the South.

The refugee movement to the North is slight in comparison.

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Although the work of the Hong Kong Anti-Tuberculosis Association is planned to meet the needs of this particular community, it is also part of the universal effort to eradicate tuberculosis. Scientists, doctors and others specialising in the treatment of tuberculosis throughout the world have made great discoveries during the last few years, and the fruits of their labours are being made available to sufferers from this disease here in Hong Kong by the Hong Kong Anti-Tuberculosis Association.

The future development and extension of the work of the Association depends very largely upon the Annual Appeal for funds, and it is good to remember that every donation represents an investment in health protection for our children and for ourselves.

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? DID IT HAPPEN ?

- Sometimes the answer is Yes—and sometimes No.
- When you have read this story—another in the series by famous writers—you are posed the intriguing problem: is it FACT or FICTION?
- You have until tomorrow to decide: DID IT HAPPEN?

ONE night in the late summer of 1939 I landed by flying boat at Alexandria to join my husband, who was in the Regular Army, stationed at that time in Abassia, Cairo. He met me in our old open Bentley, which was a relic of the "Twenties" and still going strong.

We set out at once for Cairo. It is about 140 miles across the desert—not a bad surface, though the camber forced one to drive pretty much in the middle of the road.

We had covered about 20 miles when a big saloon came tearing down the road in the opposite direction from ourselves. My husband, who is a good driver, at once slowed down and moved over to the side, dipping our lights.

The driver of the saloon had less sense. He stuck to the centre and kept his powerful headlights full on—dazzling us. He braked too late, caught our radiator and we described a couple of very unpleasant arcs. Finally we slowed round and found ourselves half on the sand and half out of it...

No apology

We got out. My husband began to tell the other chap what he thought of him. A stream of Italian poured from this gentleman's mouth and an equally unintelligible chorus came from what looked like a crowd of women in the back of his car. Then, without an apology or asking if we were all right, the Italian drove on, bent on continuing his lunatic pace.

We were left standing there. There was the usual strong wind blowing. I was not cold but tired. I was not a little concerned when my husband, after examining the Bentley, told me that it was out of action. The radiator was stove in and the front axle bent. How the other car had escaped damage, he could not think.

It was not a pretty situation for us. It was eleven o'clock. We accepted gratefully but not before we noticed that his com-morning. We must get home and have some sleep. The only was whispering angrily. My

ONE MAN DID NOT PASS BY . . .



He got out and spoke to us with great politeness.

Drawing by KOOLMAN

An accent

We explained our situation. We got out and spoke to us with great politeness. He had a slight accent—German, I judged. He was a youngish man, fair, well-dressed, with pleasant blue eyes. He seemed upset. He explained to us that he was in a frantic hurry because he had just received news from his wife in Cairo that their small daughter, Greta, was critically ill. She might die. He was supposed to be flying back to Berlin tomorrow.

"I must press on," he said and looked so unhappy, I felt sorry for him. Nevertheless he offered to drive us into Cairo. We accepted gratefully but not before we noticed that his com-

mon sense had failed him. He urged Hermann to carry on and get to his sick child and leave.

Herr Hermann—I never discovered his surname—pulled up. He was as solid as before and quite prepared to wait for me. But his disgruntled friend was furious. He urged Hermann not to stop. I heard him mutter something about "remembering Greta."

Now I agreed with this and urged Hermann to carry on and get to his sick child and leave.

Shook hands

Stanislaw stared at me. But he gave no sign of having recognized me. He stood rather stiffly to attention for a second, then bowed and said in excellent English:

"Good evening."

After this he walked across the room, sat down at the piano and began to play a Chopin nocturne.

My friend spoke to me.

"Don't these Poles play well?" he said.

"Mm," I thought. "Don't Germans play well, too?"

And now I knew what lay at the back of my mind—a memory of a young German on the Alexandria-Cairo road.

Was the young man with the round blue eyes playing my friend's piano really a Pole? Or was he Hermann?

I was most disturbed. I felt hot with all kinds of distressing thoughts and ideas.

Stanislaw might be a German spy of course. He could have infiltrated himself into England (so many agents were doing then) with a complete change of identity papers. Posing as an "x-Polish officer" he might be now living in London trying to pick up what information he could get and passing it on.

I could not stop staring at the fair-haired pianist in the Polish uniform. I tried, rather wildly

to find marks of identification—something to make me more sure. I remained baffled and shaken.

I heard him talking to someone, and I had to confess his accent was not quite the one I thought Hermann had had. On the other hand the resemblance was fantastic. I could not get any details about his background from my friend—she knew none. I decided to say nothing to her of my suspicions. I must find out more about "Stanislaw."

Oh, how I wished my husband had been in London so that I could have asked him what he thought! For of course, if this was Hermann, I ought to go at once to the police. But this patriotic fervour was followed by a distinct aversion to doing anything such thing. For if Stanislaw was the German—they'd shoot him. Yes, he'd be shot that boy who once had insisted on helping us out of a jam that night in Egypt. I just could not do it. In any case, I wasn't even sure. It might so easily be the case of a man with a double.

Never know

I walked up to the piano. "The Pole" had just finished playing. He was looking at me oddly. I felt, in a low voice I said:

"Tell me, Hermann, did your little Greta get well again?"

It seemed to me that he stared at me in horror—or was it fear?

He did not answer. He got up, bowed to me, and walked away. When I looked for him again he had gone. I never saw him again—nor did anyone else.

Did he vanish because he was Hermann, because he was afraid? Or was it because, in those days, any man from an occupied country felt suspicion alone to be dangerous.

I shall never know what became of Hermann—or of Stanislaw—the Pole. Neither of them ever saw him again—nor did anyone else.

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DID IT REALLY HAPPEN?

YES NO

Put your list in the space above and keep this poem by you until tomorrow when the answer will be given—with another story in this series by . . .

PETER USTINOV

Did yesterday's story—A Model for the Patient, by Louis Golding—actually happen? The answer: YES.

The pianist

In 1943 my husband was posted abroad. I lived alone in much-bombed London and worked there. One evening I went to the house of an old friend who, like myself, was fond of music. She had found a Polish ex-officer who played the piano divinely, she said. She was anxious for me to hear him. She called him "Stanislaw" and some outlandish surname which I do not recall.

When I was introduced to the Pole, I was about to say, "How do you do?" when the words died on my lips. I looked up at him into a pair of round blue eyes that seemed oddly familiar.

Then I forgot about it—until the war broke out.

His eyes filled with tears as he clasped my fingers and murmured his farewell. His friend sat stiff and unbending and did not so much as glance in our direction. Afterwards my husband used to "rag" me and call Hermann my "German boy-friend."

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JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Lead Is the Key To This Hand

By OSWALD JACOBY

WHEN East bid four hearts in today's hand it was clear that he considered his suit to be quite powerful. A sensible player doesn't bid for ten tricks in an unsupported suit without considerable length and strength in that suit.

For this reason, West should have regarded a heart opening lead as the safest possible opening. The lead of the king of diamonds from a suit headed by K-Q-J may have looked equally safe, but it turned out to be disastrous.

South won the first trick with the ace of diamonds, drew two rounds of trumps, and led a low diamond. West had to win with the jack, and East showed out, thus revealing the complete diamond situation.

Later on, South could lead the nine of diamonds through West toward's dump.

NORTH		5	
♦	J 10 7 5 3		
♥	3		
♦	10 2		
♦	9 8 7 5 3		
WEST (D)	EAST		
♦ Q 8 6	♦ K 8 2		
♦ J 8 2	♦ K Q 10 9 8 4		
♦ 10	♦ K Q J 7 5 3	6	
SOUTH			
♦ 4			
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♦ A 8 8 4			
♦ A K J 6 4			
East-West vul.			
West	North	East	South
Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass
3♦	4♦	4♦	3♦
Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening lead—♦ K			



"Dear, I'd like you to meet a casual acquaintance."

YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

TUESDAY, MAY 17

BORN today, you have an emotionally content, inventive and alert mind, probably find that having your but it must have something to do with the responsibilities of life at an early age, will prove a good anchor to windward for you. You will make personal sacrifices for those you love—and this can act as an incentive for you to accomplish great things.

Among those born on this date are: John Penn, statesman; Alfonso XIII of Spain; Dr. Edward Jenner, noted physician; Henri Barbusse, author; Clara Woodbury and Maureen O'Sullivan, actresses; and Conway Tearle, actor.

You women have definite dramatic ability and might do exceedingly well on the stage. Both you men and women will have creative talent in the arts and should develop your gift as a hobby even if you enter some other field as a life career.

You are romantic and emotional and are happiest when

WEDNESDAY, MAY 18

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Be careful if your work is of a hazardous nature. Keep your eye on any machinery! Avoid accident.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—Even though fortune is smiling, you will find you need to work hard to attain the goal.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—Let your ambitions be within reason and you will be able to accomplish everything. Don't overestimate your abilities.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—Get an early start and you will find that you can accomplish a great deal more than you thought.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)—Those who are working in the mechanical trades, should be more than ordinarily cautious today.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Even if you are bored with what you are doing, think things over carefully before making any important change.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—This day can bring a special portion of happiness and good fortune. Anticipate success.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—If you are in need of business advice, seek out an expert. Don't rely on an amateur.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—It is all right to be humble and modest, but when you are sure of something, speak up.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Don't let yourself get involved in any risky business venture. Better be conservative now.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—You may proceed according to schedule with what you want to do. There should be no interference.

White, 7 pieces.

White to play: make in three.

Solution to yesterday's problem:

1. Q—K8; any; 2. Q, B, or Kt mates.

CROSSWORD

By A. KRAMER and E. ZEPPEL

Black, 3 pieces

1. Set back in this. 19. It's important for

2. You can put your shirt on this bag. 12. His the square

3. without a name in his

4. of rice. 17-8. 13. Tiptoe flower. 15.

5. portable one. 8. 14. Marketing move?

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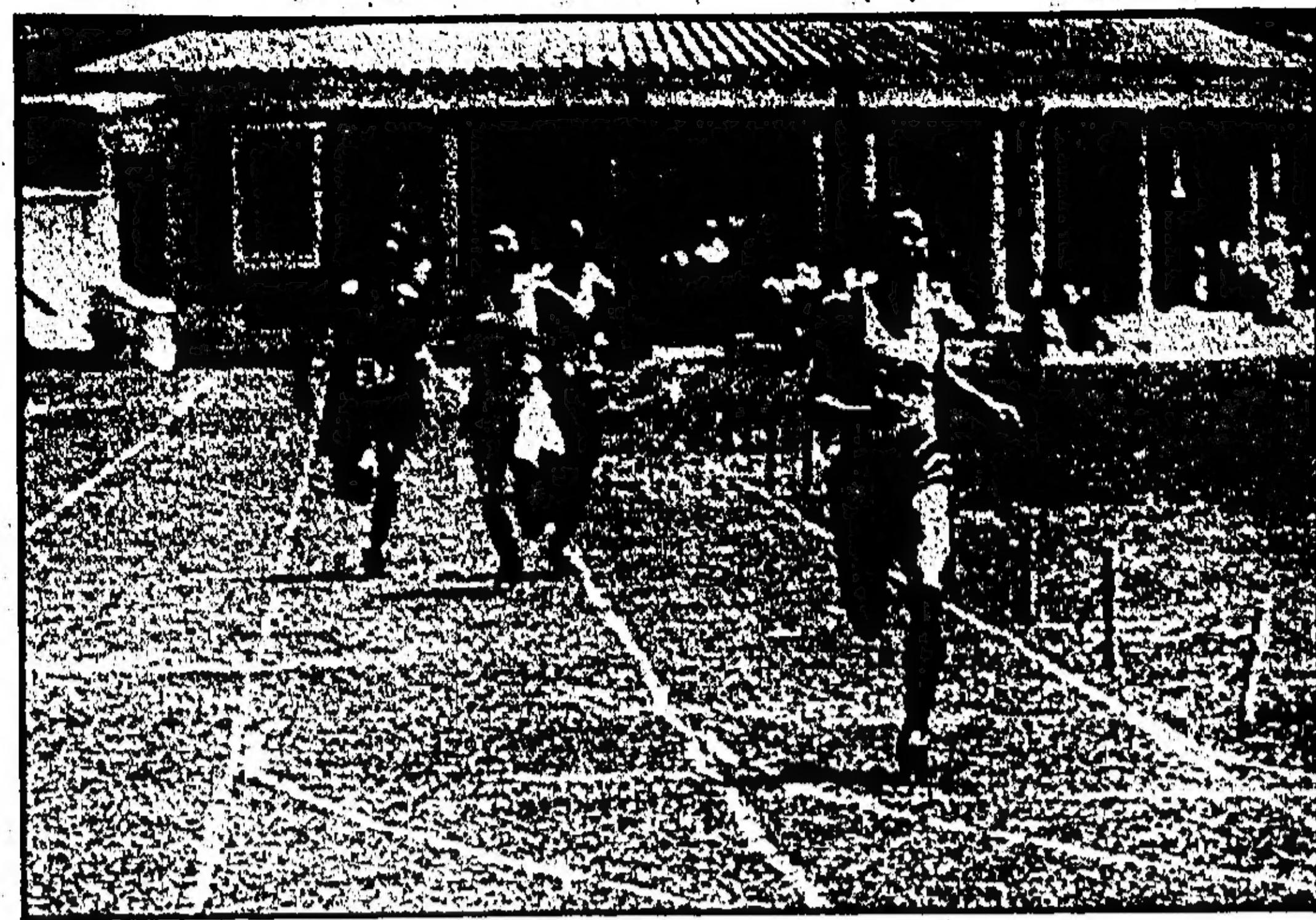
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TWO NEW CHALLENGERS IN THE "HALF"



Conditions vary for every athletic meeting and conditions for this race run at Pok-fun-am early on Sunday afternoon were far from ideal. As expected, Lee Shu-chung won the Half Mile in the Norman Phillips Trophy Match, but it wasn't without a battle.

In this picture, taken in the home straight a few yards from the finish, Bruce Tulloh of the HKAC challenges for second place. Essentially a Three Miler, Tulloh lost second place for lack of knowledge of the tactics of the race, but his 2:11 debut as a Half Miler was most promising.

Another Half Miler was also discovered in this race as Chan Hung-man held on to second place. Behind him in the picture is Leung Kam-po, pushed back into fourth place. Under better conditions Lee Shu-chung has run 2:04.6 for the distance and Leung Kam-po 2:05.2. Lee was near his best form on Saturday, Kam-po was not.

But the fact that Chan Hung-man and Tulloh were less than a second behind Lee Shu-chung suggests that both are capable of 2 minutes & seconds or better. Thus the 880-Yards and 800 Metres at future meetings is likely to become the same showpiece as the 400 Metres and 440 Yards have been earlier this year.

If Curzon, MacMahon, Jenkins, Waller and the four in this picture could start in the same race, it would be a race worth going a long way to watch. — China Mail Photo.

BOWLERS ON TOP

Four County Cricket Matches Concluded Inside Two Days

London, May 16.

Pitches all over England were again to the advantage of bowlers today when four of the seven County Cricket Championship games were concluded inside two days.

The successful counties were Surrey and Yorkshire, both with 100 per cent records in their first two matches of the season, and Middlesex and Leicestershire.

In the ten first-class matches concluding today a total of 163 wickets fell during the day.

BATTLE INTENSIFIES

The battle between Tony Lock of Surrey and Johnny Wardle of Yorkshire for a place in the England Test team as the left-arm slow bowler becomes more intensified with each game. Lock, in hoping Surrey to defeat Somerset, (bottom county last year) by an innings and four runs at the Oval here took 11 wickets at a cost of only seven runs each in the match.

Wardle claimed six Gloucestershire wickets for a total of only six runs—a four and a two hit by Jack Crapp—before he pulled a back muscle in the game at Bristol.

Off spinner Bob Appleyard (six for 91) took over in the second innings and Gloucestershire, despite a fighting 89 by their skipper, George Emmett, lost by an innings and 54 runs.

The pace bowling of Alan Morris, who claimed a total of 12 wickets for 60, proved the de-

DAVIS CUP

Britain, Denmark And Italy In Zone Quarter-Finals

Vienna, May 16.

Britain beat Austria in the second round Davis Cup European Zone match here when their top player, Tony Mottram, beat Fred Huber today to give Britain a winning 3-1 lead.

Mottram won in five sets by 6-3, 5-7, 2-6, 6-7, 6-7. In the quarter-final round, Britain will meet India at Manchester on June 9, 10 and 11.

Britain completed a 4-1 win over Austria when their number two player, Roger Becker of Denmark, 2-6, 6-1, 11-9, 6-3.

Munich, May 16. Italy beat Germany in their second round European Zone Davis Cup tie here today when they won the doubles for a decisive 3-0 lead.

They will meet Denmark in the Zone Quarter-Finals.

Orlando Sirois and Nicola Pietrangeli beat Ernst Buchholz and Horst Hermann, 6-1, 6-4, 2-6, 6-3 in the doubles, which had been postponed from Sunday because of rain.

The Quarter-Final lineup for the European Zone Davis Cup competition will be in draw order: Britain v. India; Italy v. Denmark; France v. Sweden; Chile v. Belgium—Reuter.

Nielsen won 6-3, 6-2, 9-7.

Denmark will meet either Germany or Italy in the Zone Quarter-Finals.

South Africa won the final singles match to make Denmark's overall winning margin 3-2.

NEVER A DULL MOMENT WITH THE SOUTH AFRICANS —AND A TEST CHALLENGE

By DENIS COMPTON

Let me make a prophecy. If we get the right sort of weather the visit of the South Africans will give us some of the best cricket since the war. For here is a team with all the qualities to make the Tests a most exciting battle.

There are fast-scoring batsmen and steady batsmen, fast bowlers, spin bowlers and stock bowlers—and all-round fielding ability that even the Australians cannot better.

The Australians warned us of the strength of South Africa's team-work.

Even without fast bowlers they held Australia to a 2-2 draw in 1952-53. Now they have got fast bowlers in "Avalanche" Neil Adcock and Peter Heine.

These two complete a team which we dare not underestimate.

I have no doubts about the batting strength—whatever the weather.

PROVED THEMSELVES

So many of the team have proved themselves in Test cricket at home, in England and in Australia.

It is, perhaps, different for the bowlers.

Potentially they are top-class—and dangerous—but much depends on the wickets they will find and whether they will have to bowl in sunshine or in cold and cramping winds.

I saw a good deal of this keen and enthusiastic team before they left South Africa, when I flew from Australia in March to join my wife Valerie.

One of them had scored 197 before lunch in a Currie Cup match.

But don't think you are going to meet another Gilbert Jessop just yet. The batsman in question is soft-spoken and reserved Russell Endean, lover of classical music and better known as a player with a stout defence.

Russell told me he hammered the bowling just to prove to himself that he could still hit the ball hard when he felt like it.

As an opening batsman with considerable responsibility resting on him, however, he has developed the technique of wearing down the bowling by taking the minimum of risks. Big hitting is not his usual habit.

I must point out that Endean's runs were made in three hours and not two—the period normally allocated to pre-lunch play in England.

In Currie Cup matches the morning session is the longest of the day, stretching from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

60 BUNS AN HOUR

Even so, Endean's achievement in scoring at over sixty runs an hour shows how much he has developed since he last toured England four years ago.

He has added power strokes to the defence which became famous in Australia in 1952-3.

Russell, who is also a hockey international, modelled his play on that of Bruce Mitchell, famous South African opening batsman for so many years.

At Swansea: Glamorgan 77 and 115, for four. Lancashire 274, (Washbrook 102, Shepherd, right arm medium, four for 42). No further play after tea interval because of rain—Reuter.

At Lord's: Middlesex beat Hampshire by 55 runs. Middlesex 100 and 102, (Shackleton, right arm medium, four for 35, Cannings, right arm medium, five for 44). Hampshire 61, (Moss, right arm, medium, five for 34) and 86, (Moss, five for 27).

At Hove: Essex 140 (Gladwin, right arm medium, swing, five for 41) and 48 for seven. Derbyshire 149 (Dawkes 53, Trevor Bailey, right arm, fast medium, five for 56).

At Oxford: Warwickshire 149 and 164 for two (Wolton, not out 105). Oxford University 134 (Thompson, right arm medium, five for 55).

At Northampton: Worcester 200 (Tyson, right arm fast, seven for 44) and 36 for no wicket. Northamptonshire 255 for nine, declared. R. Subba Row 80; Broderick 58.

At Cambridge: Cambridge University 198 for nine declared (Thompson, right arm medium, six for 61) and three for two. Sussex 199 for eight declared. Reuter.

Dower Beats Belgian

Carmarthen, Wales, May 16.

Dai Dower, British Empire Flyweight Champion, took on Belgian bantamweight Jean Kidy and beat him a sound points title contest in a two-round non-title contest.

Kidy had neither the boxing skill nor the punch to bother Dower. The Belgian was fast, though, and willing, but the Welshman showed his incomparable skill so clearly as to make it an unexciting, almost one-sided contest.

Apart from Dower's lightning left hand punching and his frequent salutes with his right, there was little to enliven the contest and nothing to warm up the crowd huddled in overcoats in the market hall.

Kidy, who has gone the distance with some of the best bantamweights in Europe, was as strong at the finish as when he came into the ring—Reuter.

US Thomas Cup Stars Take Off For Singapore

Monica, May 16. The American Thomas Cup badminton team explained for Singapore this morning to compete in the semi-final of the 1955 Thomas Cup tournament to be held in Singapore later this month.

They are to meet Indian players in the semi-finals and, if they beat India, will face the winner of the Australian-Denmark meet, also in Singapore, for the right to challenge the defending champion, Malaya.

The American Thomas Cup team, spurred by Joe Alston, Gordon Forbes of South Africa, and George Ulrich of Denmark, 2-6, 6-1, 11-9, 6-3.

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FANLING GOLF

Stableford competitions were

played over both of the Royal

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at Fanling during the week-

end, cards returned being on

the high side, probably due to

Greens being slower owing to

recent heavy rains having ac-

celerated grass growth. A high

wind also proved troublesome to

some players on Sunday.

The winner over the Old

Course was G. O. W. Stewart

(80-75 Nett 73) who scored 34

points, A. F. Sutcliffe

(80-5-75) being second with 32

and H. W. E. Heath, third.

J. L. Kay (88-11-75) won the New Course competition

with a Stableford score of 31.

HANDICAPS REVISED

The following handicap revisions have been recently an-

nounced:

Major S. Biggar 4; Capt. J. Thorn-

ton 4; A. G. Sutcliffe 5; Capt. F. J.

McKenzie 5; G. M. P. Wilson 6;

W. E. Heath 7; F. A. S. Hall 10;

P. C. Cornish 11; D. M. Kowalewski

12; M. S. Douglas 13; Capt. A. E.

Wentworth 14; G. M. P. Wilson 15;

M. Lee 16; Gordon Yu 20; G. T.

Hardie 21; J. B. Huang 22; R. T.

Reynolds 24; K. A. Webb 24; D. J.

Reynolds 25; J. B. Gibson 24; K.

Kirkpatrick 24; Major A. Middle-

ton 24; J. W. Cairns 24.

RAILWAY-BUS

The Golfers' rail-bus has

now been discontinued until

further notice and members

proceeding to Sheung Shui

by train are advised that times of

departure of morning trains

from Kowloon are 6.50, 7.44, 8.47

10.00 and 11.25.

SHEK-O GOLF

The following is the draw

for the Return Match Fanling v.

Shek-O to be played at Shek-O

on Thursday, May 19.

1st Tee—8.30 a.m. Mrs. I. Harrison

v. Mrs. Goldman 9.30. Mrs. Ebdon

v. Mrs. Watkinson 9.40. Mrs. Hunter

v. Mrs. Brooks 9.40. Mrs. Armstrong

v. Mrs. Horden 9.40. Mrs. Sinclair

v. Mrs. Collins 10.15. Mrs. Backe v. Mrs. Green 10.15. Mrs. M. Green v. Mrs. Morris 10.15. Mrs. T. Morris v. Mrs. Davies 10.15. Mrs. Taggart v. Mrs. Lett 10.40. Mrs. Shoemaker v. Mrs. Black 10.45. Mrs. Villar v. Mrs. McDonald 10.45. Mrs. Wilson v. Mrs. Vass 10.45. Mrs. Morrison v. Mrs. Robb 10.45. Mrs. I. Harrison v. Mrs. Stoeck 10.05. Mrs. Cleary v. Mrs. Larkins 10.15. Mrs. Watkinson v. Mrs. Goldsmith 10.15.

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DEATHS

FRANKLIN—Frederick Percy, retired
Managing Director of the South
China Morning Post, died at his
residence, 121 Lascar Road, on
May 17, 1955. Service at St.
John's Cathedral, to-morrow,
Wednesday May 18, 1955, at 4.15
p.m. Burial at 5 p.m. No flowers by
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present during the survey.BUTTERFIELD & SWINEY,
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Hong Kong, May 10, 1955.

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useful drawings in the
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this book when station-
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years ago. Even now,
on referring to it, some
40 unfamiliar species
on which notes were
made at the time have
almost all proved easily
identifiable. —D. W. S.(Extract from "The Director's
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London, May 10.
To attract the attention of potential airline
operators throughout the world, the constructor
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economical to maintain, but must also offer a swift,
and comprehensive follow-up service. Main factors
involved are maintenance, supply of parts,
instruction and publications; and British
constructors are today offering after-sales services
that are unsurpassed by those of any other
country.

With orders for the Viscount nearing 200,
Vickers-Armstrongs are directing a most comprehensive
after-sales service from Weybridge.
Three main Viscount spares depots have been set
up, one of which is at Weybridge itself, to supply
British European Airways, Aer Lingus, Air
France and later, Hunting-Clan, with heavy spares
that could not be sent by air. In addition there
is a 24-hour service at Weybridge for the dispatch
of spares small enough to go by air.

The second heavy spares centre comprehensive airframe
depot has been established in Melbourne to meet the needs of
Trans-Australia Air Lines and Butler Air Transport, while the
third is in Winnipeg for the
airline of Trans-Canada Air
Lines and the Canadian Department
of Transport. There is
also a Vickers-Armstrongs office in
Montreal from which technical
liaison is maintained with
Canadian operators.

INVASION OF THE US

A fourth depot has been established near Washington
airport to supply Capital Airlines with any Viscount airframe
replacement item, large or small, on an "over-the-counter" basis. At the time the
first Capital Airlines Viscount arrives in the US, a team of six
engineers will be in Washington to assist and advise on Viscount
service and maintenance.

Vickers-Armstrongs provide an airframe and electrical service
engineer, free of charge, to each new Viscount operator for
a minimum of 6 months, while for major repairs and overhauls,
contractor's working
parts are sent out from Weybridge. Technical publications,
such as maintenance and overhaul
manuals, modification
bulletins and spare parts
schedules are supplied regularly.

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a comprehensive stock of Dart
spares is kept. Resident
engineers will be available in
Washington to assist Capital
Airlines for as long as may be
deemed necessary.

ENGINE OVERHAUL

A similar organisation exists in Melbourne for the benefit of
Viscount operators in Australia. As in Montreal, test-bed
facilities are available, and all
Dart spares are stocked. The
Rolls-Royce overhaul and repair
base at Mascot has already
begun the overhaul of Dart
engines for Trans-Australia Air
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world's air line operators is,
doubtless, whetted by the
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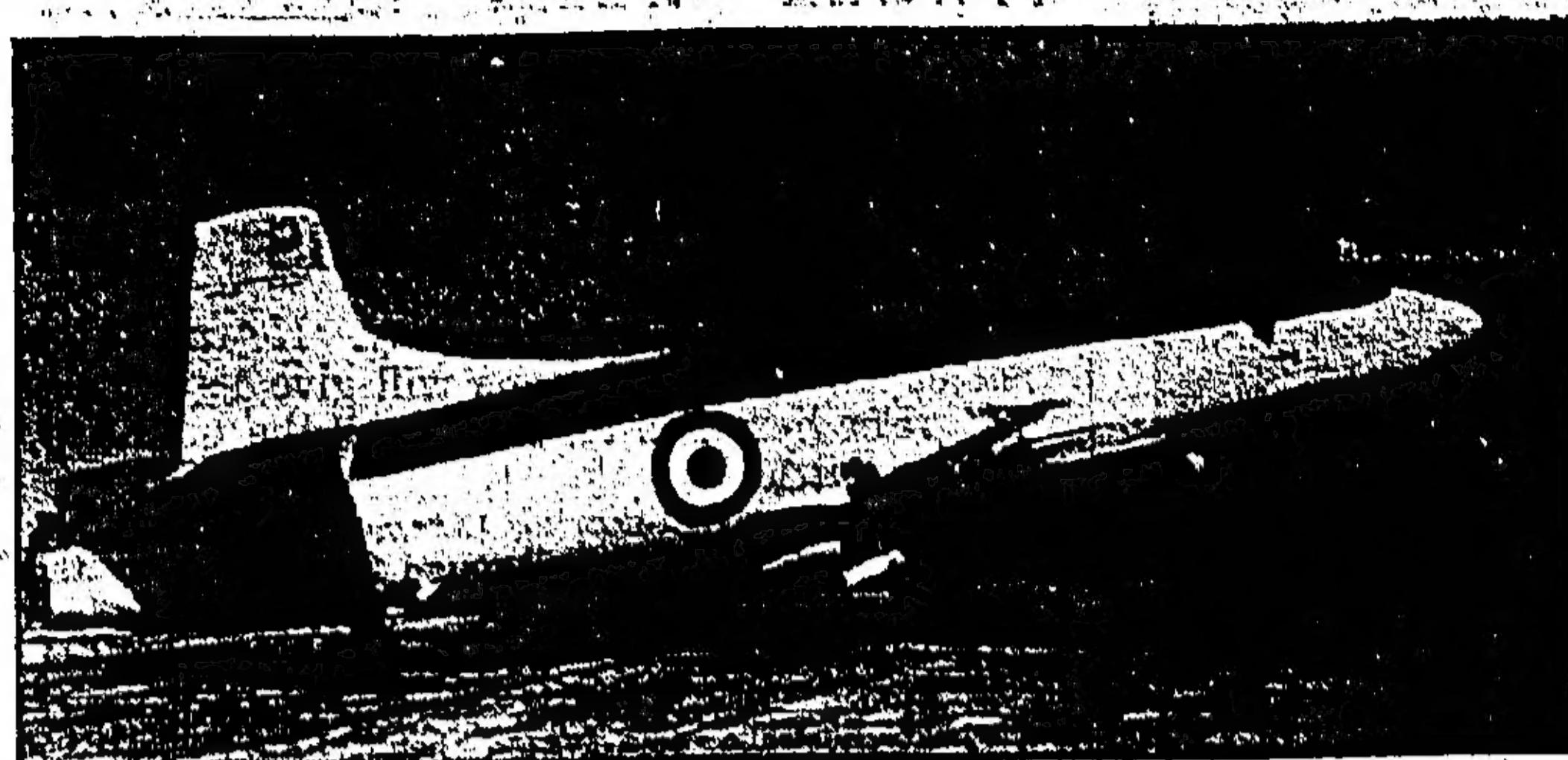
Technical publications such as
pamphlets concerning modifications,
bulletins, regular service bulletins
and amendments are provided
with each aircraft.

Teams of engineers able to
make major repairs and the
overhaul of both airframes and
engines have been trained at
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Canada as well as at numerous
agencies and associated
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facilities for overhauling engines
is given every assistance.

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weeks, during which they re-

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The Vickers Supermarine Attacker, powered by a Rolls-Royce Nene 3 jet engine, is now in squadron service with the Royal Navy. The Attacker is a fighter of high performance for interception and close ground-support duties. —Vickers Armstrong Photo.

BIG FOUR TALKS
Propaganda Platform
Says Franco

Washington, May 16.
General Franco said in an interview published
here today that the proposed Big Four talks would
be "a platform of propaganda for Russia."

The weekly news magazine, US News and World Report,
claimed that the interview was
the first impromptu one the Spanish head of State had ever
given without previous sub-
mission of a questionnaire.

"Evidently Russia finds herself
in a difficult situation at
this time and has to save herself.
When Russia takes a step
of friendship it is because this is
advantageous for her," General
Franco said.

"And if that is the case it is
because in Russia today there
are two problems: One is the
internal problem of the succession
to Stalin, not yet resolved,
and the other is the assimilation
of the occupied nations which
loathe the presence of Russia."

"Russia does not find herself
in a strong situation to confront
the West—she has to gain
time and will gain it as she
can."

General Franco made these
other points in the interview:

"The biggest enemy of China
is Russia, though China is not
aware of it. Who other than
Russia could devour China?
Who more than Russia fears
that China will become great?

"The interests of China and
of Russia always have to be
completely opposite. If Russia
can involve China in a war that
will destroy her, she will do it."

"Her purpose always will be
to destroy her neighbours and
then devour them."

"We believe that a superiority
is being bestowed on Russia to
which she is not entitled. For
example, the Westerners say:
Russia has a very large population,
Russia has so many tanks, so many
aircraft, Russia is superior, we
can do nothing with Russia.
We need the atomic bomb."

"And I ask: What happens if
the atomic bomb? The nations
is the West superior or inferior
to Russia?

"I maintain that the West is
superior to Russia even without
the atomic bomb."

TUESDAY, MAY 17

By Air
Philippines, 6 p.m.
Hawaii, 6 p.m.
Japan, 6 p.m.
Thailand, 6 p.m.
Canada, 6 p.m.

By Surface
Indo-China, 6 p.m.
Thailand, 6 p.m.
Wednesday, May 18

By Air
Thailand, 6 p.m.
Malaya, 6 p.m.
Ceylon, 6 p.m.
Thailand, 7 p.m.
N. Borneo, Australia, New
Zealand, 8 p.m.
Formosa, 8 p.m.
Thailand, India, Pakistan, Middle
East, Great Britain & Europe, 8 p.m.
Japan, 8 p.m.
Indo-China, 8 p.m.
By Surface
Macau, 9 a.m.
China, People's Republic, 9.30 a.m.
Malaya, West Australia, P.W. via
Perth, 11 a.m.
Japan, Canada, 1 p.m.
Macau, 2 p.m.

Thursday, May 19

By Air
Philippines, 8 a.m.
Thailand, 8 p.m.
India, Pakistan, Middle
East, Africa, Great Britain & Europe,
8 p.m.

By Surface
Macau, 8 a.m.
China, People's Republic, 8.30 a.m.
Macau, 2 p.m.

RUSSIANS MAY BE ABLE
TO COOL OFF

Washington, May 16.

Russian diplomats stationed here probably will be able
to escape Washington's summer heat again this year despite
tight new travel restrictions on Soviet citizens.

CRADLE OF
HUMAN RACE

Paris, May 16.

Half a jaw to which were still
attached a few teeth and which
belonged to a man having lived
250,000 years ago, was discovered
by a scientist recently, at Sid
Abdel Ramane, Algeria.

This discovery strengthens the
theory of the famous paleontologist
Father Teilhard de Chardin, who died recently, which
is that the cradle of the human
race was not Asia but Africa.

Search in the area will be
continued and is expected to supply
further light on the subject.—
France-Press.

By Lee Falk and Phil Davis

MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN



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THE JAM THAT MADE
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...this situation
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JOHN CLARKE'S
CASEBOOK

AT THE
LOCAL

THERE was nothing to mark out that night from any other in the saloon bar.

Business people who called in for a drink on their way home from the office or the works or the shop, had left a long time since. Now, only the regulars remained. A handful of people who lived near by, on the fringe of the City's square mile.

The landlord had slipped round to the the public side of the bar.

FROM THE STUDIOS

NO one paid particular attention when a man they all knew, as Tom rose from his seat and walked across the room as if to join the landlord's group.

Tom worked in films — the technical, not the acting side. He wore a duffle-coat and corduroys, and spectacles with thick horn rims, and strangers looked at him with awe and envy, because he worked in the same place and breathed in the same air as their screen idols.

"Well, Tom, how is . . . ?" the landlord began.

HALLUCINATIONS

HE got no further, for Tom without saying a word, hit him with a tremendous punch under the eye.

The landlord went down.

There was pandemonium. Next the police were in, and Tom was under arrest.

At the Clerkenwell court Tom pleaded guilty to assaulting the landlord, causing him actual bodily harm.

"I'm told," said the office in charge of the case, "that he suffers from hallucinations."

"I suppose I got a bit worked up," Tom said, and ran a hand across a forehead wrinkled with puzzlement. He was remanded for a medical report.

"ALWAYS GOOD TO ME"

WHEN he next appeared a probation officer went into the witness-box.

"You will see, sir," he said to the magistrate, "Mr. Frank Powell, 'that the doctors say this man has been drinking heavily for 20 years.'

"They recommended going into hospital for voluntary treatment. He says he will if it doesn't take more than a week, but I'm afraid it would need nearer six months."

A policeman said: "Excuse me, sir, this man's wife is here and would like to speak for him."

"Certainly," said the magistrate, and Tom's wife was shown to the box, a middle-aged, common sense woman, who said: "If my husband does drink too much now and again, he's always good to me. My money's always all right, he sees to that. Usually if he's had some, he just comes in and sits in a chair and goes to sleep."

TOM'S SECRET

"HOW much does he earn?" the magistrate asked.

"I don't know, and I don't want to know," Tom's wife said firmly. "He gives me enough to carry on with."

"But has he never told you what he gets?"

"No, and I don't want to know, though I know some women do."

"Why do you think he doesn't want to have treatment?"

"Probably he thinks like me that if you get into one of those places it's not so easy to get out," Tom's wife said.

The magistrate said to Tom, "You must pay 40s. fine and £5 compensation to the landlord."

"This way," the gaoler said, and took Tom's arm.

"But I must see my wife, I must," Tom cried, and tried to shake himself free.

"You'll see her," the magistrate said soothingly, and sure enough Tom did, for she had reached his side, and was standing by him to smooth away his fears, standing by him as she always would. For she was a good wife, and in her eyes she had the best of husbands.

Petition For
Murderer

Georgetown, May 18.

At Jamaica's request, more than 5,000 inhabitants here have signed a petition in a last-minute effort to save the life of Leslie Hilton, former international Test cricketer for the West Indies, it was disclosed here today.

Hilton was convicted of murdering his wife by shooting her with a revolver.

It was officially announced that Hilton was to be hung — France Press.

OUR AUSTRALIAN NEWSLETTER

SCATHING
MENTAL HOMES
REPORT

From H. KING WOOD

Sydney, May 11.

The scathing report issued to the Federal Government on Sunday night by Dr Allan Stoller regarding conditions and treatment in Australian mental homes came as no surprise to the people of NSW at least.

Dr Stoller is the chief clinical officer of the Mental Hygiene Authority of Victoria. He was appointed by the Federal Government last year to make a survey of Australian mental institutions.

The announced purpose of the survey was to establish a basis for Commonwealth assistance to the State but it was accepted that the real reason was the Federal Government was alarmed by the never-ending campaigns carried on by newspapers about the conditions that existed in these homes.

Dr Stoller painted a dim picture. His report refers to "hopeless overcrowding", "filthy conditions", "woeful staff shortages" and "an appalling lack of proper treatment and equipment".

The British Crown to have been suspended for defying the Chair. That was when he was Postmaster-General in 1938. He agreed to withdraw a term which he had applied to a member and was sent out for a member.

4 hours.

Also as PMG he was in the centre of a hectic controversy when he put a radio station off the air because it was stated that he had been included in Cabinet on Hitler's orders.

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In the first eight days they earned the City Council £876 — an average of £28 a day more than expected.

Meters in the city itself were well patronised but those on the outskirts gave a poor return.

Funny point is that the motorists, owing — or paying £10 at least £1000 worth of car, have tried to get away with the sixpence parking fee. An assortment of discs, washers and foreign coins were found in the meters, while some had even struck their luck with match stalks, silver paper, wrapped up, and chewing gum.

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And his road haulage service is really long distance from Darwin to Alice Springs and Mt Isa and to far outback stations.

Pay for these drivers is £35 a week clear of income tax which means that he is paying £43.2 gross for a single man.

Even better, out that way there is nothing to spend it on.

HONOURED

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Last year he gave the University £50,000 to build an electronic brain for nuclear research and has set up a £100,000 trust for the University to assist in medical research and the relief of poverty in NSW.

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SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"I'm warning you, young man—if you can't cure my gout, I'm not even going to tell you my other ailments!"

MARCIANO WINS

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Cockell continued to stand up without throwing a return blow. Cockell came out of his shell and landed a couple of blows on Marciano's head. Marciano came right back with rights and lefts and Cockell appeared helpless.

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He is a strict teetotaller yet one of the South Australian wine industry's strongest supporters. He hates gambling but approves of his wife's outgoing to races because that is legal.

Archie Cameron is never far from a political storm and even from the relatively safe ground of the Speaker's Chair he has, for the last six years, managed to keep his name well and truly before the public eye.

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LIGHTERS COLLISION CLAIM

Diver Tells Court Of Salvage Operation In Hongkong Harbour

A diver who inspected the wreck of a sunken lighter and supervised its salvage told the Court of his findings when he gave evidence before Mr Justice J. R. Gregg at the Supreme Court this morning at the continued hearing of the claim for damages brought by the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co. Ltd, against Wang Kee and Co., stevedores and merchants.

The diver, Mr N. S. Feltham, of Taikoo Dockyard, said he found defendant Company's lighter, the Dolly, lying on an even keel on an inclined seabed off plaintiff Company's Praya wall, with another lighter which he could not identify lying against her. He had to remove this other lighter before he could raise the Dolly, he said.

Mr J. P. Hewitt, Senior Surveyor of Ships, Marine Department, is sitting with Mr Justice J. R. Gregg as Assessor.

Plaintiffs, represented by the Hon. Leo d'Almeida QC, and Mr T. A. Shandwick, instructed by Mr R. A. Wadeson of Messrs Deacons, are claiming damages totalling \$70,533.15 from Wang Kee and Co., stevedores and merchants, of 34-37 Connaught Road, Central, arising from the sinking of four of their lighters and damage to three others during the typhoon on the Colony on the early morning of September 2, 1953. Plaintiffs alleged negligence on the part of defendants.

Wang Kee and Co., are represented by Mr John McNeill, QC, Mr Leslie Wright and Mr Victor Gittins, instructed by Mr Y. K. Kan, of Messrs Lo and Lo.

He agreed that the position of a craft on the sea-bed did not necessarily mean that was the spot at which she sank. He said much depended on whether the craft was a steel or wooden vessel, her weight, what cargo she carried and other factors.

He agreed a wooden craft tended to shift more readily than a steel vessel. The state of the weather must also be taken into consideration but witness said a craft on the sea-bed would not shift much. The expenses incurred upon them, and the probable profit, decreed for \$306, being, was understood, the estimated market value of such portion of the articles as were out of season when they arrived, and the present value of the rest, which are still marketable.

Mr Justice Stanley Feltham, shipwright diver of the Taikoo Dockyard and Engineering Co. Ltd, said he proceeded to the vicinity of Kowloon Wharves on the afternoon of September 3, 1953, to carry out a preliminary inspection of the lighter Dolly which he found submerged with her stern, part of her Samson's post and deck-house awash. The vessel was lying at an angle with her bows down and stern approximately 15 feet off the Praya wall.

He returned to the scene the following day with a crane barge towed by the tug Tai-kuo. He found Dolly lying in the same position as he had seen her the day before. He went down to the sea-bed with diving equipment and surveyed the lighter and found he could not move. Dolly until some other lighter had been moved off her.

The sea-bed, said Mr Feltham, shivered very steeply from the Praya towards the harbour. He found Dolly lying on the slope on an even keel. Her Samson's post appeared to be intact but the deck was broken. There was another lighter, made of wood, lying on its side with its coaming against the deck of the Dolly.

Witness found the Dolly's anchor chain leading from the port, bellied and under her bows and the bows of the other lighter to some distance away in the direction of the harbour. The anchor cable was taut, he said.

Mr Feltham said he could not say what the other lighter was or to which Company it belonged, but he spoke to a European and asked for and received permission to remove her from the Dolly in order to raise the latter.

After the wooden lighter had been removed, witness said he cut the anchor cable with a hacksaw close to the bollard. He then supervised the subsequent salvage and lifting of the Dolly. She was raised from the sea-bed at 11 p.m. that day.

Mr Feltham added that in the course of his work he saw two other lighters on the sea-bed near the bows of the Dolly. As they did not concern him, he did not pay particular attention to them but remembered that the bow of one was lying on top of the other.

Cross-examined by Mr d'Almeida, witness said the weather was fairly good when he made his preliminary inspection. The Nellore was still at her berth by Wing No. 6 North on September 3, but she was not there on September 4 and no